



April 30, 2020

Dear Parents/Guardians,

We appreciate your feedback on our weekly updates. Our goal remains to provide timely, comprehensive information about the continuity of education in our district. We are working with our Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) headquarter and regional leadership and local commanders to provide the most up-to-date guidance and the way forward.

- **Our district will continue to provide digital learning** as part of our commitment to student achievement. We are anticipating guidance from the DoDEA Director about the end of the school year.
- **DoDEA grading guidance for quarter 4** has been finalized and can be found on each school's web site by clicking on [\*DoDEA Grading Info 2019-2020\*](#). If you have questions, please contact your school.
- **DoDEA end-of-year guidance** will be provided to parents and students with procedures for picking up personal belongings and returning school materials as the school year begins to wind down. More information will be provided from your school principal.
- **Decision Day is May 1.** Help us celebrate and recognize the graduating class of 2020! On May 1<sup>st</sup> we will be posting seniors' *decision* for college, military or career plans on Facebook. Please like, comment, congratulate and cheer them on! Parents and PreK-11 students may also participate by wearing your college/university, military, or career paraphernalia to celebrate our students' college and career accomplishments and ambitions. Post your pictures/videos on your School Facebook or the DoDEA Southeast District Facebook and use #DoDEADecisionDay.
- **National School Principal Day, May 1.** Please join us by sharing your stories and recognition of our school principals and assistant principals. Our school administrators will be sharing what it means to be a school leader; which will be posted on Facebook May 1<sup>st</sup>. Please like, comment and share your gratitude for their leadership and commitment to educating our military-connected students!
- **National Teacher Appreciation Week, May 4-8.** Please join us by sharing your stories and recognition of great teachers. Post comments, pictures/videos on your School Facebook or the DoDEA Southeast District Facebook next week and use #ThankATeacher. Our teachers are committed, dedicated and caring professionals!
  - To all of our Teacher Moms, Teacher Dads, Teacher Grandparents and Teacher Siblings – we also celebrate and THANK YOU as our partners in education!



- **National School Nurse's Day, May 6.** Please join us by sharing your stories and recognition of great school nurses. Post comments and pictures on your School Facebook or the DoDEA Southeast District Facebook on May 6 and use #DoDEAAppreciates. School nurses educate and support the health and wellness of our military-connected students!

This is obviously an extraordinarily challenging, frustrating and concerning time for all of us. Watching our teachers, parents, students and communities come together to ensure continuity of education for our military-connected students in these challenging circumstances has been incredibly inspiring. Please feel free to communicate all needs and concerns related to these programs to your teachers and principals. This type of feedback is important to the education process. #WeAreInThisTogether

Thanks for your support!

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Christy Huddleston". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping underline.

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District Superintendent